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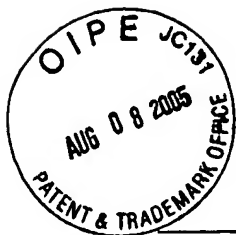
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AMENDMENT A

Dear Sir:

This amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed May 5, 2005 in which the Examiner rejected claims 23, 26, and 27 and objected to claims 13, 14, and 16 in the above-identified patent application. In response, applicants have amended the claims as set forth on the following pages and have provided remarks following the claims. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claim 13 is written as claim 28 and claims 14, 16, 23, and 27 have been amended. The number of independent and dependent claims is not increased beyond the number previously paid for so no additional fee is due.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.